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SUBJECT: US GOALS AND OBJECTIVES IN QATAR

1. THIS TELEGRAM TRANSMITS A STATEMENT OF US FOREIGN
POLICY GOALS AND OBJECTIVES IN QATAR. A SEPARATE MESSAGE
WILL PROVIDE EXPLANATORY INFORMATION ON THE PURPOSE,
IMPLEMENTATION AND REVIEW OF THESE STATEMENTS.

2. BEGIN TEXT.

I. INCREASED QATARI SUPPORT FOR MIDDLE EAST PEACE AND
PERSIAN GULF STABILITY.

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-- CONSULT FREQUENTLY WITH THE AMIR, SHEIKH KHALIFA, AND
OTHER QATARI LEADERS TO ENCOURAGE THEIR GENERALLY MODERATE
VIEWS ON MIDDLE EAST PEACE.

-- ASSURE THE QATARIS OF OUR INTEREST IN PERSIAN GULF
STABILITY AND COOPERATION AMONG THE SMALLER STATES OF THE
REGION.

-- ENCOURAGE QATAR TO LOOK TO SAUDI ARABIA AND IRAN AS SECURITY GUARANTORS IN THE CONTEXT OF GULF STABILITY.

-- INFLUENCE AND ASSIST, WITHIN CONFINES OF OUR REGIONAL ARMS POLICY, IN THE FORMULATION OF REASONABLE REQUESTS FOR ARMS SALES.

-- STRIVE TO ENHANCE QATARI UNDERSTANDING OF THE UNITED STATES AND OF THE IDEAS MOTIVATING OUR SOCIETY AND OUR FOREIGN POLICY.

II. EXPANSION OF ECONOMIC COOPERATION AND FOREIGN ASSISTANCE.

-- EXPAND OUR PROGRAMS OF REIMBURSABLE DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE TO QATAR AND THE USE OF US EXPERTISE IN QATARI-FINANCED AID PROGRAMS IN POORER DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

-- USE THE RESOURCES OF STATE, TREASURY AND COMMERCE TO INCREASE US TRADE WITH QATAR AND QATARI INVESTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES.

-- PERSIST WITH LOCAL EXCHANGES ON ARAB BOYCOTT, AIMING TO RELAX QATARI PRACTICES.

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III. QATARI SUPPORT FOR A MODERATE ENERGY POLICY.

-- INFLUENCE THE QATARIS TO COUNSEL MODERATION IN OPEC PRICE POLICIES.

-- KEEP THE QATARIS INFORMED OF US POSITIONS ON PRODUCER-CONSUMER ISSUES.

IV. INCREASED RESPECT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS AND MOVES TOWARD DEMOCRATIZATION.

-- PERSUADE THE QATARIS TO MAKE BETTER USE OF US INTERNATIONAL VISITOR PROGRAMS, CULTURAL AND EDUCATIONAL EXCHANGES AS A MEANS TO INFLUENCE THE DEVELOPMENT OF DEMOCRATIZATION AND WOMEN'S RIGHTS.

-- REMIND THE QATARIS OF US RESPECT FOR THEIR GENEROUS CONTRIBUTIONS TO UN POPULATION AND HUMAN WELFARE PROGRAMS.
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